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BIOCIDE FORMULATIONS

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks regarding the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-25 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

Att. Sub B 24
26. A particulate composition of matter for use as a vehicle for introducing biocide into liquid-based media comprising porous inorganic carrier particles having biocide adsorbed within the pore system thereof and having a retention factor of at least 0.6.

Att. Sub B 27. A composition as claimed in claim 26 in which the retention factor is at least 0.8.

Att. Sub B 28. A composition as claimed in claim 26 in which the particles carry at least 30% by weight of biocide solution.